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## BIG FOUR FAVORED

It Was Allowed to Erect Its Round House Without a Permit.

Board of Works Meeting—Builders' Exchange Recommends an Appointment.

The intimate relations between the Big Four Railroad Company and the late Sullivan machine was evidenced yesterday in a discovery made by Building Inspector Pendergast. The railroad company has constructed a \$90,000 round house south of Washington street, near Dillon, without taking out a building permit, as the law requires. Had some poor workman dared to build a house during the Sullivan regime without taking out the permit, the zealous Fitchey would no doubt have yanked the workman before the proper authorities. It was found that the Big Four round house, which had already received a most extraordinary gift from the Board of Works in the matter of the South Delaware-street sidewalk.

Mr. Pendergast went down to the round house, yesterday afternoon, and found it almost completed. The head inspector was not at the place, but the official left word for him to come up to the court-house and take out a permit to-day. In the early part of September the Big Four made an application for a permit, and then went about the building without obtaining the necessary document. The law provides a penalty for doing this, but the late administration has been so lenient in its attitude against the Big Four Railroad Company that the permit would have cost the company about \$20 at the rate of 50 cents on the thousand, as the law provides.

**WILL BE A SOUTH-SIDE MAN.**

Frank Taylor Will Probably Succeed Mr. Conduitt as the Board's Work.

"Is Frank Taylor, of the South Side, to be named as the Democratic member of the Board of Works?" was asked of Mayor Denny yesterday.

"You folks must be mind-readers," answered the Mayor to several reporters. He would not announce, however, that Mr. Taylor had been finally determined upon as the successor to Mr. Conduitt. The Mayor received a number of letters yesterday in behalf of the city engineer, and he is now in the city engineer's office, where he is settling up the accounts of the city engineer.

The board was looking over a number of applications for positions as park policemen yesterday afternoon, but came to no conclusion.

**TO CHANGE THE SEWER.**

Street-Car Company's Modest Request —Dykes for Fall Creek.

The Citizens' Street-Railroad Company asked the Board of Public Works yesterday morning to change the location of the sewer on Mississippi-street sewer so that the company can construct its electric line up Mississippi street this winter. The company said it wanted to begin work at once. This it cannot do unless the construction of the main sewer in the street is done away with. President Mason wanted to know if the sewer could not be built in Tennessee or some other street. The electric line will come as far south on Mississippi street as Indiana avenue. Ex-City Engineer Mansfield was requested to consult with Assistant City Engineer Dykes regarding the feasibility of constructing the sewer in some other street.

Assistant City Engineer Dean, to whom the petition of the company was referred, of the Mississippi-street sewer was referred, says that it would necessitate a considerable expense to change the sewer to Tennessee or some other street. If the sewer is taken down Tennessee street, the sewer for several blocks would have to be torn up, and the drop into the Fugate's run sewer would be a satisfactory one. The present plans which carry the sewer down Mississippi street.

The Indiana Paving Brick Company agreed in changing the brick on Second street from repress to standard brick, to make a rebate to the property owners of \$1 for every thousand bricks used. The board yesterday notified the company that it expected the company to keep this agreement. It was asked to make the necessary arrangements with the property owners.

The contract between the city and Benjamin Irwin for the burial of night soil on Sellers farm terminates on Nov. 5. The board informed Mr. Irwin that hereafter the Indianapolis Desecrating Cemetery would look after the destruction of the night soil. Richard Forrester, custodian of the dump, was informed that his services will no longer be required after to-day.

**FIREMEN'S PENSION FUND.**

Transfer of Bonds—Talk of Reducing Widows' Pensions.

President Ruckle, of the Board of Safety, and ex-President Hawkins, together with Secretary Tobin, of the firemen's pension fund, met Monday night, preparatory to the change in the board that has the custody of this fund. Colonel Ruckle, by virtue of his official position, succeeds Mr. Hawkins as president of the board in charge of the fund. Mr. Hawkins turned over \$7,000 in bonds, \$1,000 of which are city bonds, the remainder being jail bonds, besides \$600 in cash. This measures the present fund. It was decided to call a meeting of the new board to discuss the matter of decreasing the pension paid to the widows of the firemen. It was also decided that now being paid \$20 a month, but it is hardly believed the board will reduce this amount. The board also discussed the matter of preventing bonds on the fund proper. It is the intention of the board to make the interest on the fund, which is now at 4 per cent, to be paid to the firemen. The board also discussed the matter of the fund. The total expenditures each month are \$1,500. It is estimated that \$1,500 will be raised from the firemen's hall which will be given at Tomlinson Hall on Nov. 5. The citizens have been liberal in patronizing this worthy charity, and the receipts this year will probably be as large as those of previous years.

**Fall Creek Dykes.**

For several months there has been pending a petition for building dykes and breakwaters on the south and east banks of Fall creek from a point where Fourteenth street would intersect the creek if extended west to Shriver avenue. The board yesterday passed the resolution for this improvement, which contained a clause about one hundred feet long, besides two breakwaters. The estimated cost of the work is in the neighborhood of \$15,000. The dyke will protect Marquette park from overflow.

**An Interview on Jobs.**

"Will Assistant Fire Chief Barrett remain in his present position?" was asked of Commissioner White yesterday.

"He will, as far as I know," answered Mr. White. "I know of nothing to the contrary."

"Has any provision been made for giving Dawson a pension?"

"I do not know. I heard that Sergeant Wilson had been offered another position."

"But Wilson is a Democrat, and Dawson could not take his place."

"That is so."

**Result of the Controller's Rebuke.**

The custodian of Garfield Park was before the Board of Works, yesterday, explaining his expenditures. This was a result of the rebuke Controller Truesler gave the board for continuing the heavy expenditures at the park without benefit being in sight. Nearly \$500 was expended on the park in October.

**Sergeant Wilson Will Resign.**

Confusion in keeping the books and accounts. Hereafter the changes will be made absolutely correct. Mr. Fisher says he does not give heed to the demands made by the councilmen for employment of men they recommended.

**Indorsing Mr. Stanley.**

The Builders' Exchange held a meeting last night and passed a set of resolutions indorsing George W. Stanley, the president of the Exchange, for the vacant position on the Board of Works. The resolutions expressed the opinion that the city's interests could best be subserved by the appointment of a practical builder on the board. The resolutions also testified to the high character of Mr. Stanley, who is now serving his second term as president of the Exchange. The resolutions are signed by Vice President Cotton, of the Exchange, and Secretary C. W. Sullivan. Mr. Stanley is a Democrat.

**A Resolution to Abolish.**

Chairman Raub, of the finance committee of the Council, said yesterday that he had a resolution prepared for the Monday night meeting of the Council abolishing the office of plumbing inspector.

**Board of Works Notes.**

A petition received asked for an electric light at Michigan and Linn streets. Paving stones, which are laid at Indiana avenue and Michigan street.

Residents of Massachusetts avenue south of St. Clair complain of the street sweepings.

The Western Union Telegraph Company was ordered to remove obstructing poles in Alford street.

The Indiana Granite Company notified the board of the completion of the brick street on Michigan, from Indiana avenue to West street.

The city engineer was instructed to give heed to the complaint of Dr. H. R. Allen that the drainage on Tennessee street north of Ohio is defective.

Union Councilman Young's recommendation the street commissioner was ordered to fill up curb holes in Tenth between Illinois and Tennessee.

Ed G. Sourbier was awarded the November contract for furnishing certain stationery supplies to the department. His bid, which was the lowest, was \$108.18.

Frank Heilig wanted the city to put cement walks at the four corners of Illinois and Walnut. The engineer will look into the matter of doing the work at the city's expense.

The final estimate allowed on the brick- ing of McCarty street, from Meridian to High, is \$17,493.10, on the grading of Linden street, \$2,312.82, the asphalt of South Delaware street, \$36,440.36, the asphalt of Ohio street, \$685.95.

Complaint having been made of the condition of the cement sidewalks on Illinois street between Fall creek and Twelfth street, the city engineer was instructed to investigate. It is said the walks are settling badly where hills have been made.

**GOOD CONCERT GIVEN.**

Mozart Symphony Club Opens the Y. M. C. A. Lecture Course.

The first entertainment of the Y. M. C. A. lecture course was given last evening at Tomlinson Hall, and there was a very large audience present. The attraction was the Mozart Symphony Club, of New York. From the first number on the programme to the last the audience expressed its satisfaction and delight with continued applause. The club is composed of some very good musicians, including Mr. Richard Biedock, the violin d'Amour soloist; Mr. Mario Biedock, the viol d'Amour soloist, and Mr. Otto Lund, violin; Mr. Theo. Hoch, cornet, with Miss Cecelia Berams as soprano and Mr. Alberto C. Mora, basso. Nearly every number was encored and every soloist was recalled. The club does better solo than ensemble work, slight rough passages in the club selections marring the smoothness of the music and the composition of the artistic, but enjoyable. In harmony with the name of the organization, the first and last numbers were from Mozart, these being the overture from "Don Juan" and the finale from "Figaro." Mr. Biedock played the "Waltzer" from "Figaro." The "Meistersinger," and the rich tones of the viola d'Amour gave added beauty to the performance of the composition. Miss Berams has a voice of remarkably even quality, and her several songs were well received. It is noted that for each one of the soloists, Mr. Hoch, with his broad, generous manner and big body, made every one feel that he was not a hired hand, but a true artist, and they were not mistaken. For every one else became breathless when he sustained a trill for several minutes. The length of time, and at the conclusion of each part of his solo he was applauded and received a double encore. The other members were creditable to the organization. The first of the lecture course was a success, though it must be confessed that the doors from the market house are not conducive to the preservation of the aesthetic atmosphere of the course will be a lecture by Col. F. C. Copeland on "Seeing the Elephant," and will occur Nov. 21.

**CARRIED HEAVY INSURANCE.**

Accident Companies Investigating the Death of W. H. Colford.

Some curious complications have arisen in the death of W. H. Colford, the Cincinnati commercial traveler, who was found dying upon one of the iron roofs of the Denison hotel on the night of Oct. 12. An accident ticket in the room, many feet above where the dying man lay, at once suggested to the coroner and the physicians who were called that Colford had suffered a fall. Although Coroner Beck has made no finding in the case, this theory was generally accepted by the family of the dead man.

It now appears that Colford carried large life insurance and also accident policies. The insurance company, however, has refused to pay the policy, claiming that Colford was not a resident of this city, called upon the company and requested, in the interest of three large insurance companies, that the death of Colford be looked rigidly into. From the statement made by the attorney the theory that Colford was either murdered or committed suicide is strongly advanced. The former theory takes precedence from the fact that the injured man suffered wounds both on the back and front of his head. That he could receive wounds in such a manner, the theory of suicide is impossible. A fracture of the skull was said to have been the cause of his death.

It is learned that on the day Colford came to this city he carried a voluminous package of accident tickets in his trunk, and also that the day before his death his wife received several of these tickets. The most startling of the investigation of the insurance companies is the fact that had Colford lived a few hours longer than he did, his accident insurance would have expired. These, with other facts, have been placed in the possession of the coroner, and he has been hastening a thorough investigation. The Employer's Liability, Fidelity Casualty, and London Guaranty companies are contesting the payment of the policies.

**INDIANA TAXABLES.**

The Total Foots Up Over a Billion Dollars This Year.

The Auditor of State has prepared the following statement of the value of taxable Indiana property for the year 1893, which shows the State to be fairly well rated among the riches of the Nation:

Number of acres assessed, 22,450,745.62-100 Value of land, \$49,101,122.

Value of improvements, \$34,812,590. Average value of lands per acre, \$2.03.

Average value, with improved lands, per acre, \$2.75.

Total value of lots, \$14,441,230. Total value of improvements, \$16,370,360. Value of personal property, \$2,522,392.

Number of taxable polls, 294,207. Total value of taxable property, real and personal, \$112,935,000.

Value of telegraph and telephone property, \$2,368,985.50. Value of palace and sleeping car property, \$333,400.

Value of property owned by express companies, \$1,250,870.50. Assessed value of taxables, \$1,287,678,839.50.

Teeth like Orient pearls, set in cushions of a brooch like the perfume the toilet be- stows.

## KILLED BY THE SHOCK

James A. Rodgers Electrocutted at an Electric Light Station.

He Carelessly Put Both Hands on the Brushes of a Generating Machine —Almost Instantly Killed.

James A. Rodgers, an employe at the electric light company's South Pennsylvania-street station, was electrocuted last night about 8 o'clock. He lived but a few minutes after receiving a shock from one of the brush generating machines. The voltage of the current which caused his death was about 1,000, according to the estimate of Superintendent T. A. Wynne. Rodgers was employed as a general laborer about the station, and part of his duties was to keep several of the machines clean.

The generating machines revolve with a terrific force, and the noise they make rendered it almost impossible to hear the sound of the human voice within a few feet of them. At the parts known as the "brushes" the potentiality of the current is the greatest. A hand can be laid with perfect safety on one of the brushes, but if the other hand is placed on the other brush a circuit is completed and the full current would pass through the body. All the men employed at the station have instructions to work with one hand behind their backs while near the machines, so as to avoid danger. The exact nature of Rodgers' duty at the time he was killed is not known. He was probably either oiling or cleaning the brushes, and becoming careless, allowed both of his hands to come in contact with the brushes. On the bronze-colored brushes are two small spots. They are called "finger tips" and are the only safe places to touch the brushes.

Employe Vanlandingham was the only one to see Rodgers fall. He was coming from the rear of the station and saw Rodgers walk away from machine No. 7. Rodgers had not moved six feet away when he sank to the ground in a heap, and at the same time a number of lights on the circuit supplied by machine No. 7 went out. The switch on the machine was turned by some manner been turned. Vanlandingham rushed to the prostrate man, and upon his arrival he found Rodgers dead. His heart was only beating feebly. The injured man gasped a few times and expired. Dr. Crove was summoned by the coroner, and all the remedies on earth could not have saved the man. There was not a bruise or a mark on his body, but the current had passed through his body, save two slight burns on his finger tips where he had touched the brushes. Coroner was at the station a short time after the accident, and as soon as he viewed the body he was convinced by the undertaker that the devilish-looking machines kept on their fiendish buzzing.

Rodgers lived at No. 118 Chadwick street. He leaves a wife, to whom he was married only last April. For a considerable time he was out of employment, but had secured work at the station, where he has been for several months. He was about thirty-three years old. The coroner's jury found the cause of death to be electrocution, and the verdict was returned that the death was caused by the negligence of the electric light company.

Superintendent Wynne says that a 1,000 voltage will kill any man. The current is direct and not alternating like that used in the New York penitentiary. Some of the machines at the station generate as high a voltage as 2,000. Rodgers did not get an extreme shock. Sixty lights are supplied by the machine which caused his death. No accident has occurred since after he had received the shock. Rodgers turned off the current. Five or six years ago another man was killed at the station while connecting two dynamos. He received a current of 2,500 voltage and was horribly burned.

**SCHOOL BOARD'S MEETING.**

It Is Cozily Fixed In Its New Quarters —Routine Business.

The first meeting of the School Board in its new quarters was held last night, and every member was present. The room is in the southeast corner of the building upstairs, and is commodious and handsome, furnished in natural wood, with desks for the members of the same material. In the center of the floor, directly in front of the president, is a large reporters' table. The members all retain the same relative positions in the room as in the old building. At the right of the chairman is a commodious committee room furnished in the same style as the remainder of the building. The committee on buildings and grounds asked permission to take out insurance to the amount of \$25,000 on the new building. This was considered necessary on account of the surroundings of the building. The recommendation was adopted, and the committee was authorized to place the insurance. The committee also asked for authority to build a high iron fence in the rear of the new building, which, after being modified so as to empower the committee to receive the same, was adopted. The committee on buildings and grounds was authorized to expend \$50 in purchasing copies of Mr. Rice's "Public School Systems of the United States." The monthly report of the treasurer was received, showing the total balance on Nov. 1, \$8,381.81, and the balance in the library building fund, \$1,519.80. The assistant secretary reported warrants drawn for \$1,000.

The question of the probable cost of a manual training school according to the plans which have been received from Pennsylvania came up, and it was decided to have the local architect, Adolph Scherrer, examine the plans and specifications and report the probable cost of such a building. The committee deemed this plan more expedient than receiving bids, and it was adopted. The committee on heating, hygiene and janitors was given authority to employ Thomas H. May as assistant janitor at the Library Building, at a salary of \$5 per month, and another assistant janitor at the same salary. The committee on the question of the probable cost of a manual training school according to the plans which have been received from Pennsylvania came up, and it was decided to have the local architect, Adolph Scherrer, examine the plans and specifications and report the probable cost of such a building. The committee deemed this plan more expedient than receiving bids, and it was adopted. The committee on heating, hygiene and janitors was given authority to employ Thomas H. May as assistant janitor at the Library Building, at a salary of \$5 per month, and another assistant janitor at the same salary.

Putting Up the Bronze Group. Workmen were engaged all day yesterday in putting up the bronze group adorning the top of the new Library Building.

The library will be open from 9 a. m. to 10 p. m. on every day except legal holidays and Sunday. The reading room will be open the same length of time, including Sundays and the holidays. This was the provision of an amendment proposed to the rules and adopted by the board last night.

**CONSTABLE'S HOUSE BURGLARIZED.**

Thieves Secure About \$900 Worth of Notes from Charles Whittell.

Burglars entered the home of Constable Charles Whittell, No. 33 North East street, Thursday night, by means of an upstairs window. Mr. Whittell's trousers, containing a considerable amount of money and \$900 worth of notes, were lying near his bedside and appeared to be just what the thieves were searching for. They carried the pants into a sitting room, examined the pockets and then left. Mrs. Whittell's purse, containing several dollars in money, was lying on the dressing case in view of the burglars, but was not disturbed. The notes carried away did not belong to the constable, but were entrusted to him by collection. The money was owned by the Schofields, Gates & Warnon, and others. Mr. Whittell desires to recover the notes, if possible, and trusts that the thieves will not do so until they communicate with him.

**Marriage at the Harrison Home.**

Miss Marie Hampe, who for the last few years has been the governess of ex-President Harrison's grandchildren, Benjamin and Mary McKee, was married Thursday evening to A. O. Davidson, a tobaccoist of Chicago. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. of the "First" Methodist Church. The two were sweethearts in Germany. They left for Chicago to reside. The bride is a well-educated young woman of attainments.

**Iron Hall Taxes.**

Sterling R. Holt, county treasurer, yesterday filed in Room 1 of the Superior Court a demurrer to the answer of Receiver

Falley to his petition for \$15,000 alleged to be due as taxes on the funds of the order of the year 1891-1892. The ground of the demurrer is that the question has been once passed upon by the Board of Review and cannot now be reopened and subjected to revision. There is no other case on the trial calendar for the month of November, and the whole month will be given to the trial of the original case upon its merits if necessary.

**NOT A SANCTIONED STRIKE.**

Brotherhood Officials Not Consulted About the Big Four Tie-Up.

At the headquarters of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen, at Terre Haute, nothing has been reported regarding the strike of engineers, firemen and switchmen on the Cairo division of the Big Four road. If the firemen have gone out the strike is an illegal one so far as the Brotherhood is concerned, and the participants cannot receive any aid or protection from the order. When the reduced scale of wages on the Big Four system was accepted by the federation of brotherhoods, some weeks ago, it was the understanding that the change one way or the other would be made until Jan. 1, when the scale again comes up for consideration with President Ingalls. It is hardly believed at headquarters that another reduction has been made. The supposition is that the report sent from the Cairo last night does not give the true situation, but that the tie-up is due to some other cause than a reduction of wages. In any event, it is not a sanctioned strike.

**Stable Partially Destroyed.**

At 5 o'clock last night a stable at No. 421 South Delaware street was partially destroyed by fire. The property is occupied by John Ross, who will lose about \$50 by the flames.

**Dunlap's Celebrated Hats**

At Seaton's hat store.